

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
P.O. BOX 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

Paper No. 15

OPPENHEIMER WOLFF & DONNELLY, LLP 840 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 700 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

**COPY MAILED** 

DEC 0 9 2003

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of Casscells III et al. Application No. 09/188,661 Filed: November 9, 1998 Attorney Docket No. 1441-00109

**ON PETITION** 

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed September 12, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within three months to the non-final Office action mailed February 13, 2003. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on May 14, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 9, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The Revocation of Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent submitted with the instant petition on September 12, 2003, is hereby not accepted. Petitioner failed to establish ownership of the above-identified application. Ownership is established by submitting to the Office a signed statement identifying the assignee, accompanied by either:

(i) Documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to the assignee (e.g., copy of an executed assignment). The documents submitted to establish ownership may be required to be recorded pursuant to § 3.11 in the assignment records of the Office as a condition to permitting the assignee to take action in a matter pending before the Office; or

(ii) A statement specifying where documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to the assignee is recorded in the assignment records of the Office (e.g., reel and frame number)

The submission establishing ownership must show that the person signing the submission is a person authorized to act on behalf of the assignee by:

(i) Including a statement that the person signing the submission is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee; or

(ii) Being signed by a person having apparent authority to sign on behalf of the assignee,

e.g., an officer of the assignee.

A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was

unintentional. If the statement contained in the instant petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement contained in the instant petition is being construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) and petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

The above-identified application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity. As continuity has been established by this decision reviving the above-identified application, the above-identified application is again abandoned in favor of continuing application No. 10/640,570.

The file is now being forwarded to the Files Repository.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Paralegal Liana Chase at (703) 306-0482.

Wan Laymon
Petitions Examiner
Office of Petitions

Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy

cc: Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth

660 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1600

Newport Beach, CA 92660